

# Morgan County Democrat.

CENTRAL MISSOURI FARMING, MINING, REAL ESTATE, RAILROAD AND GENERAL NEWS.

FOURTH YEAR.

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## LOCAL NEWS.

Call for Hardy's Prize Baking Powder.

Men's Rubber Boots and Shoes at the 'FAMOUS.'

W. F. Dunlop of Tipton was on our streets last Saturday.

Hardy's Prize Baking Powder is going like hot cakes. Ask for it.

FOR SALE—Two good residence properties, cheap. H. A. Young.

Independence is falling in line in raising a scandal about their city government.

If you want a good A. No. 1 Overcoat for winter you can find one to fit you at the 'FAMOUS.'

Mrs. Myra Sanford and Mrs. John Sullens drove to Proctor last Saturday and spent Sunday with friends at that place.

Joe Goddard of the Tipton Times-Gazette, was 'doing' Versailles Tuesday, and made the Democrat a fraternal call.

Rev. J. Y. Busby drove to Proctor last Friday and assisted Rev. H. A. McNight in his series of meetings there up to Tuesday.

If you want to buy the latest thing out in millinery and at prices which are so low as to make you open your eyes call at the Millinery Bazaar.

The Best line of Ladies' and Children's Jackets and Wraps and Skirts, Underwear and Hosiery at Carl W. Biersach's.

C. H. Barton who has been sojourning at Lawrence, Kansas, for several months, arrived here Monday for a visit with his parents and other Versailles friends.

We are not just beginning the free delivery of meats to our customers but have been delivering free of charge ever since we began business and will continue to do so. Leave your orders for Meat, Groceries and Ice with D. C. Hardy.

The contractors on the grading work west of this city are being pushed by the Rock Island management, and they have been given only one more month to finish the work. The result is that men and teams are now in demand by the contractors.

It is stated that the Rock Island management will attempt to outshine the Missouri Pacific Railway in the building of their new depots along the St. Louis-Kansas City extension. The management will not have to strain a point to outshine the Missouri Pacific depot in Versailles.

The Baptist church folks have struck the progressive idea and have put a new roof on their church, have placed new steps in front and will construct new walks on the east and south side of the church building. This will make a decided improvement in appearances in that vicinity.

In order to keep our stock fresh and up to date we are constantly ordering new goods which we are receiving daily and placing on our counters for the benefit of our customers. Call and see our elegant line of ready-to-wear hats. Back numbers don't go, at the South Side Millinery Bazaar.

Contractor J. H. Buck, with his large grading outfit and fine string of teams, passed through Versailles last Saturday enroute for the east end. Part of the teams stopped at Stover to do some tie hauling for the company, while another detachment will stop at the bridge between here and Eldon to prepare for the bridge gang, while the balance will go to Henley to build a reservoir.

A newspaper is a pretty good index of a city. That is recognized everywhere. If the paper has a healthy appearance the town or city is generally set down as healthy. Thousand of people see the paper representative of the city that have never seen the city and form their good opinions. The value of these opinions cannot be measured. Smiles, good words, a friendly grasp of the hand, cost but a little effort, yet they are mighty in their influence. A healthy newspaper makes a healthy sentiment and a healthy sentiment makes a healthy town.

Go to Hardy's grocery and ask for his Prize Baking Powder.

S. W. Brand, a business man of Higginsville, was a visitor here Monday.

October has been one of the finest months, all 'round, we have experienced in 1903.

For a good fit and proper style in clothing, hats, shoes, pants, &c., for men, go to the 'FAMOUS.'

Come, look at our fine line of Fall and Winter Goods. Carl W. Biersach.

The 'FAMOUS' don't sell all the clothing sold in Versailles, but does sell all of the good clothing and shoes for men that are sold in Versailles.

Corn Shows will be held all over the state during November and December, for the purpose of securing a first-class corn exhibit at the World's Fair next year.

Quite a number of our citizens drove out over the construction work west of this city last Sunday afternoon. The day was fine and the drive was very pleasant.

The ladies of Knob Noster recently got up an entertainment in the shape of a 'pie supper' and the affair struck the appetites of the people to the extent that the ladies cleared \$65.

Recorder Monroe of Benton county has done a prosperous matrimonial business so far this year. He has issued 92 marriage licenses, and expects to reach the hundred mark before the close of the present month.

Rev. C. N. White of Smithton, who is the regular minister of the Baptist congregation in Versailles filed his appointment here last Sunday and inaugurated a protracted effort which has been carried on during the week.

The Millinery Bazaar is daily receiving new goods, and although the heavy drain on their stock moves them out, the strike of express employees does not effect their supply as the houses they buy from handle their own express. They always keep their stock fresh and up-to-date.

Tomorrow night is Hallow-teen, the night when witches dance in the wee sma' hours, and when the small boy plays tietae while the girls in their teens name the bedposts, sleep with bride's cake under their pillows and test all sorts of fortune telling schemes. But the big boys hide themselves to the alley-ways and barn lots to pick up all movable objects to displace at random. Look out for your front gates, and other things.

W. W. Granstaff drove over from Eldon last Monday, accompanied by his son Victor and daughter Josie, who took the train here for Waggoner, Indian Territory, where they will visit their brother, Eumet Granstaff, this fall and winter. While here Mr. Granstaff called on the Democrat and stated that everything in connection with Eldon was on the boom. Though he is now a resident of Eldon he has a warm feeling for Versailles, as he formerly resided in Morgan county.

## PIANOFORTE.

### MISS CROSS.

Four years at Kansas State University, School of Music, desires pupils.

### PIANO. HARMONY.

Special attention to Ear Drill. Highest approved methods. Phone 117, P. O. Box 107.

Ellis R. Smith of Sedalia was transacting insurance business in this city Wednesday.

Charles Bechtel and W. M. McDaniel drove in from Fortuna and spent the day here Tuesday.

Miss Nellie Crosswhite of Excelsior was here on a shopping tour Tuesday and was a guest at the City Hotel.

For tin roofing, spouting and repairing call on Joe Zimmerman, at E. M. Duff's hardware store on North Monroe street.

Dr. E. D. Morlan of Indianapolis, Ind., was in Versailles Tuesday and Wednesday looking after mineral and coal lands.

Assessor George A. Logan came over from Syracuse Tuesday and was looking after official business in connection with his office.

Attorney D. E. Bird of Kansas City was here Monday taking dispositions in the Fitzpatrick case which is to be tried at Kansas City.

H. W. Daub the water man on the new road and C. C. Harrison drove over from Eldon Monday and were looking after railroad business on this end.

Rev. L. J. Baughman departed last Thursday for Lincoln and has been holding a series of meetings at Mt. Pleasant near that place during this week.

Don D. Donohue of Kansas City, paymaster on the construction work in connection with the new road, was here Tuesday and made the workmen along the line happy by the distribution of a large supply of the 'needful.'

Our citizens must not forget the election to decide the matter of electric light for the city and by the city. The election is to be held on Tuesday, November 10, and the notices of the same will be found in another column of this issue.

The Progress Club held their meeting last Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. M. L. Joachimi, carrying out their regular program accompanied by a nice lunch. Saturday afternoon the members of the Club met at Clodfelter's Art Gallery and had a group photo taken.

Joseph Stiffler of Eldon was in this city Monday and stated that himself and F. D. Harrison of Versailles were given assurances that they would secure the telephone franchise in that place. They intend to make the system up to the standard when all preliminaries are fully completed.

Congressman D. W. Shackelford was in the city Monday and left Tuesday morning for Jefferson City.

John W. Martin, who is now located at Tusculum in a drug store, arrived in Versailles Wednesday for a short visit with his wife.

The Horse and Cattle Show held in Kansas City last week is said to have had the finest display of stock ever collected in that city.

Do not forget to visit the Millinery Bazaar when in Versailles. There you will find the latest styles and whether you desire to buy or not you will receive the most courteous treatment. Fashions guaranteed. Prices lowest for first-class goods.

Suits, Underwear, Overcoats, Boots and Shoes, Skirts, Dress Goods, Blankets, Comforters, Trunks, Valises, Groceries &c. Best Values for the least money at 'The Red Flag.' Carl W. Biersach.

Joe Zimmerman, the tinner, who has opened a shop at E. M. Duff's hardware store on North Monroe street, is prepared to do all kinds of tin roofing, spouting and general repairing. He makes roofing and guttering a specialty and his prices will be made reasonable at all times. Give him a call when in need of work in his line. He will treat you right.

The Democrat acknowledges the receipt of a fine steel engraving of Joseph W. Folk, candidate for Governor, sent out by the Business Men's League of St. Louis. The portrait is 22x30 inches, and one of the best pictures we have seen of the future Governor of Missouri. It has been framed and adorns a conspicuous place in the Democrat office.

L. B. Hawks' son Syd, about nine years of age, met with a painful accident at their home near Glensted last Saturday evening. One of the women of the house was going from one room to another carrying a boiler of scalding coffee, when the boy ran from an opposite direction, opening the door suddenly and knocking the boiler from her hand. The hot coffee caught him on the side of the head and face scalding the flesh off wherever it touched the skin. The whole side of his face and neck shows the effects of the hot fluid, and it was necessary to call a physician and have the boy's injuries carefully dressed.

### A Home Suit.

Attorneys John F. Gibbs and A. B. Knipmeyer filed suit in the circuit court this week for Mrs. Annie B. Halderman against the St. Louis, Kansas City and Colorado Railroad Company for the recovery of 3,000 railroad ties of the value of \$930.00.

The contention of the plaintiff is that the ties on the timber out of which they were cut was stolen off the lands of the plaintiff in this county and sold to the railroad company who acquired no title by reason of the purchase, the ties being stolen property. The suit will be watched with interest.

## "Morgan County Magazine."

The publishers of the DEMOCRAT have made arrangements by which the people of Morgan county are to have a first-class, up-to-date Magazine. A publication which we promise to make interesting to the general public in every department. It will be known as the "MORGAN COUNTY MAGAZINE," and will be devoted to standard literature, fiction from the best authors, home, fashion and household departments, current topics, illustrated articles and miscellaneous reading such as the best magazines of the country contain.

The "Morgan County Magazine" will also contain from month to month local illustrations such as half-tone portraits of the business and professional men of the county. Scenic views of the best production will also be a feature, both from the farm and town, where photographs can be obtained. Four pages will be devoted to this class of pictorial history and nothing will be left undone to make this Magazine a credit to the county.

The Magazine will be non-political, but will be made a journal strictly for the home, and we will depend upon the reading classes for its support. The subscription price will be \$1 per year; 10c per single copy; or in combination with the Democrat, the price for both will be \$1.75. The publication will begin the first week in December. In the illustrated feature, we will use farm scenes, churches, school houses, family groups, individuals of prominence, fine stock, residences, etc., will be reproduced. All who wish to subscribe to the Magazine will send or leave their names with

THE MORGAN COUNTY DEMOCRAT, Versailles, Mo.

## Prize Corn for the Show.

At the corn show to be held in this county on December 1st, under the auspices of the Missouri World's Fair Commission, it is important that the finest specimens in the county be selected and that they be in the best possible condition. The best of this corn will be taken to St. Louis to compete with the world.

Handle the show corn with the utmost care so as to avoid shelling off the grains. Do not put it in a sack. Handle it in boxes and keep it in bins or boxes that are mouse proof, and wrap each ear in paper before bringing it to the show. This will prevent shattering and will preserve the bright, fresh color and add materially to the attractiveness of the display.

## Grade Report.

Below are given the grades in arithmetic received by pupils in Room No. 5 for month ending Oct. 23, 1903:

### FIRST YEAR.

Eva Wassung 91½, Pearl Mobley 91½, Frank Polston 92½, Sam McClanahan 92, Frank Hamlin 91½, Archie Lievasy 92, John Moore 91, Warren Boles 91½, Estil Devinna 93, Bennie Anderson 91, Louise Gray 92, Clara Lumpee 89, Jennie Moore 88, Nettie McCann 93, Hattie Thorpe 92½, Sydney Duff 91, Harry Mills 90.

### SEVENTH GRADE.

Guy Gibbs 91, Walker Adkisson 94, Maude Baker 90, Ross Burns 89, Joe Kidwell 88, Lou Etter 91, Lillian Dunne 92, Everett Roche 92, Katie Moore 89, Mary Beale 91, Frank Kidwell 93, Sumpter Gunn 90, Fannie Padgett 92, Mildred Busby 90, Kate Chism 93, Robert Stephens 89, Harrison Barton 89½, Cleveland Spurlock 92½, Sallie Merriott 90½, Berba Merriott 88, James Hubbard 93, Emma Jacobs 90, John Mounts 87, Cora Campbell 91.

WRAY WITTEN, Teacher.

## Big Railroad Contract.

Our fellow-citizen, S. A. Ross, with A. J. Gorg, of Union, Mo., as a partner, has secured the contract from the Rock Island Railroad Company for building all of the station houses and other frame structures of the company, between Union, Mo., and Kansas City. This is a trunk line and will be a railroad of decided importance, passing in its course through Eldon, Versailles and other points of note that will demand first-class structures. Mr. Ross is a master mechanic of ability, taste and rapidity, calculated to give entire satisfaction to the big job undertaken. We wish him and his partner every success.—California Democrat.

## THIS IS THE LAST CALL!

All our Ladies' Muslin Underwear will be closed out at One-fourth the Price.

## READY MADE SKIRTS.

\$2.25 will buy you one of our \$4.00 Skirts. We have them in Black, Dark Grey and Navy Blue. Don't miss this chance, but come and get one.

All of our new Fall Dress Goods are ready for inspection.

# A. Popper,

The Leader of Low Prices and First-Class Merchandise.